

# Properties of Infinite Series

## Note 1

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Let  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $c \in \mathbf{R}$ . Under which condition does

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k$$

converge?

■ Always.

## Note 2

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If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $c \in \mathbf{R}$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ca_k = \{c1:cA\}$ .

## Note 3

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Let  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = B$ . Under which condition does

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k + b_k$$

converge?

■ Always.

## Note 4

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If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k = A$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k = B$ , then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k + b_k = \{c1:A+B\}$$

## Note 5

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The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$   $\{c5:converges\}$   $\{c4:if\ and\ only\ if,\}$  given  $\{c3: \epsilon > 0,\}$  there exists  $\{c2:an\ N \in \mathbf{N}\}$  such that whenever  $\{c2:n > m \geq N\}$  it follows that  $\{c1:$

$$|a_{m+1} + \cdots + a_n| < \epsilon.$$

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## Note 6

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The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges if and only if, given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that whenever  $n > m \geq N$  it follows that

$$|a_{m+1} + \cdots + a_n| < \epsilon.$$

«[c1:Cauchy Criterion]»

## Note 7

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Cauchy Criterion for Series?

■ Cauchy Criterion for the sequence of partial sums.

## Note 8

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If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges, then  $(a_k) \rightarrow 0$ .

## Note 9

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If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges, then  $(a_k) \rightarrow 0$ . What is the key idea in the proof?

■ Apply the Cauchy Criterion with  $n = m + 1$ .

## Note 10

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Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \leq a_k \leq b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  converges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges.

## Note 11

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Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \leq a_k \leq b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  diverges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  diverges.

## Note 12

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Assume  $(a_k)$  and  $(b_k)$  are sequences satisfying  $0 \leq a_k \leq b_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  converges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges.

«[c1: Comparison Test]»

## Note 13

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Comparison Test for Series?

■ Use the Cauchy Criterion explicitly.

## Note 14

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$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} = \{[c1::\infty,)\}$$

## Note 15

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$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} = \{[c1::\infty,)\}$$

What is the key idea in the proof?

■ Observe  $\frac{1}{k} \geq \frac{1}{2^i}$  for every next  $2^{i-1}$  terms.

## Note 16

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Statements about  $\{[c2::\text{convergence}]\}$  of sequences and series are immune to  $\{[c1::\text{changes in some finite number of initial terms.}]\}$

## Note 17

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A series is called  $\{[c2::\text{geometric}]\}$  if it is of the form  $\{[c1::$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ar^k.$$

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## Note 18

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The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ar^k$  converges if and only if  $|r| < 1$ .

## Note 19

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Given  $|r| < 1$ ,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ar^k = \frac{a}{1-r}.$$

## Note 20

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Given  $|r| < 1$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ar^k = \frac{a}{1-r}$ . What is the key idea in the proof?

■ Rewrite partial sums.

## Note 21

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If the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges, then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges.

«Absolute Convergence Test»

## Note 22

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What is the key idea in the proof of the Absolute Convergence Test?

■ The Cauchy Criterion and the Triangle Inequality.

## Note 23

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Let  $(a_k)$  be a decreasing sequence and  $(a_k) \rightarrow 0$ . Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} a_k$$

converges.

### Note 24

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We say  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges absolutely, if  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|$  converges.

### Note 25

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We say  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  converges conditionally, if it converges and does not converge absolutely.

### Note 26

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A series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  is said to be positive, if  $a_k \geq 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

### Note 27

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Any positive series must converge absolutely.

### Note 28

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May a positive series diverge?

Only to  $+\infty$ .

### Note 29

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A positive series converges if and only if the sequence of partial sums  $(s_n)$  is bounded.

### Note 30

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Let  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  be a series and  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be 1-1 and onto. The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{f(k)}$  is called a rearrangement of  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ .

### Note 31

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit.

### Note 32

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. What is the key idea in the proof?

Substitute the original series' initial terms for the rearrangement's partial sum.

### Note 33

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, how many of the original series' initial terms are substituted from the rearrangement's partial sum?

So as to use the definition of convergence and the Cauchy Criterion for absolute convergence.

### Note 34

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, how many of the rearrangement's terms are taken for the partial sum?

So as to contain the initial terms of the sequence.

### Note 35

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof we denote  $\{s_n\}$  to be the original series' partial sum.

### Note 36

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof we denote  $\{t_n\}$  to be the rearrangement' partial sum.

### Note 37

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, what do we show about  $t_m - s_N$ ?

■  $|t_m - s_N| < \varepsilon$  due to the Cauchy Criterion.

### Note 38

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If a series converges absolutely, then any rearrangement of this series converges to the same limit. In the proof, how do you show  $|t_m - A| < \varepsilon$ ?

■  $|t_m - s_N + s_N - A|$ .